

AIDS' BLUNDER LEAVES MRS. MILLS'S COFFIN ABOVE GROUND OVER NIGHT

Gravediggers Balk, Spectators Laugh And Woman Rants

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 28.—A ghastly "comedy of errors" marked the second exhumation of the body of Mrs. Eleanor Mills, slain choir singer sweetheart of the Rev. Edward W. Hall, in Van Lieu Cemetery here.

Because Senator Simpson's detectives and cemetery workers blundered and misunderstood each other, the body of Mrs. Mills, bared of its earthen blanket, remained exposed to the chill elements of an October night.

Sitting beside the open grave and clutching shotguns as they huddled about an oil stove in a hastily pitched pup tent, two North Brunswick policemen stood guard against ghouls until sunrise.

This morning Simpson has promised Mrs. Mills's body will be taken into the cemetery receiving vault, where an autopsy will be performed by Dr. Otto Schultze of the New York medical examiners staff.

Simpson believes that Mrs. Mills's tongue was cut from her head by the cruel butchers who murdered her and Dr. Hall at their trysting place in DeRusseys Lane four years ago.

Says Tongue Was Cut Out

The Hudson county prosecutor told reporters in Jersey City last night when asked for the real reason for this second autopsy.

"A Jersey City lawyer, who is friendly with a relative of Felix Di Martini, Mrs. Hall's private detective, has informed this office that Di Martini confided to his kinsman that Mrs. Mills's tongue had been cut out the night she was slain.

"I considered the source of my information authentic. We are holding this second autopsy for the sole purpose of learning whether this barbarous deed had actually been done."

Exhumation a Farce

Di Martini, a former member of the New York bomb squad, is the man who successfully defied Simpson in his effort to extradite him to Jersey after the special prosecutor had obtained an extradition writ from Gov. Smith.

The long promised exhumation yesterday was a fiasco, a farce. It was a severe reflection upon the efficiency of the prosecution.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon Detective Lieut. Walter Ciechuch, with Dr. Shultz, arrived at the cemetery. Only a few minutes before Albert Yorston, cemetery sexton, who had been told Ciechuch would arrive, left in his automobile.

Gravedigger Haggles

Ciechuch showed a Supreme Court order signed by Justice Parker to Charles Denton, Sr., head gravedigger, and asked that Mrs. Mills's grave be opened.

Denton demurred, told Ciechuch that only Yorston could honor the writ, and explained that Yorston

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Saw Murdered Sister's Grave Opened



WHILE OTHERS laughed and joked, Mrs. Augusta Tenneson was a sorrowful spectator at the exhumation of the body of her sister, Mrs. Eleanor Mills, choir singer, who was murdered, together with her lover, the Rev. Dr. Edward W. Hall. What are Mrs. Tenneson's thoughts as she leans against a tombstone near the newly opened grave in Van Lieu Cemetery, in North Brunswick, N. J.?

Loved Her After Hugging, Doctor Says at Love Trial

Although he agreed to love her devotedly, he never promised to marry her, Dr. Junius Hardin McHenry declared yesterday in testifying in his own defense in the trial of Mrs. Lettie Lash's suit against him for \$150,000 heart balm.

The nerve specialist told Justice Wasservogel that he and the plaintiff entered an oral pact to love each other after she threw her arms around him in a visit to his office, 11 East, 48th St. But, as for marriage vows, Dr. McHenry said he never made any to the former actress, who has three grown children.

Mrs. Lash is 46, two years younger than Dr. McHenry, and, taking the stand against him, said that he told her "in the eyes of God we are man and wife." She further said: "He planned our honeymoon, and laughed at my qualms and fears. For a time I believed him."

The physician finally fixed the date of marriage for June, 1924, the plaintiff said, but a week before the date arrived notified her he was going to marry a wealthy widow.

TROTZKY SCORED AS REDS TIGHTEN GRIP ON RUSSIA

MOSCOW, Oct. 28 (By U. P.)—Josif Stalin and his colleagues in the control of the Communist party, and therefore of the Soviet union government, today advanced their campaign to crush opposition within party ranks by obtaining approval of the Zinovieff form of control of the Communist International.

A resolution condemned the opposition of Zinovieff, Leon Trotsky and their supporters.

CELEBRATE BATTLE

White Plains, N. Y., Oct. 28.—The 150th anniversary of the Battle of White Plains, on October 28, 1776, will be observed here today.

WALES GOES TO PARIS

LONDON, Oct. 28 (By U. P.)—The Prince of Wales departed for Paris today for a brief visit.

King Calls Marie Home As His Illness Increases

BERLIN, Oct. 28 (By U. P.)—A dispatch to the Telegraphen Union from Bucharest today said that Queen Marie of Rumania had been requested to interrupt her tour of the United States to return to Rumania because of the condition of King Ferdinand's health. The king was reported to be in a serious condition.

Radio to Mars Filed And Paid for by Spiritualist

LONDON, Oct. 28 (By U. P.)—A message to Mars, filed and paid for at the rate of thirty-five cents a word by Dr. Mansfield Robinson, prominent English Spiritualist, and accepted by the government wireless station, went sputtering out into space at midnight.

Dr. Robinson refused to divulge the purport of his message, but it was learned that it is couched in supposedly Martian language. It reads:

"M—M—M—M—M—
"GBR (the Rugby call station).
"Opesti Nipitia Secomba."

The three words were supposed to be in a Martian language.

Valentino's Rare Treasures to Be Sold at Auction

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Oct. 28.—Every article belonging to the late Rudolph Valentino will be sold at auction, George Ullman, executor of the estate, says.

This will allow the public to bid against Pola Negri for the oil painting of Valentino, which she was said to have determined to buy and make a permanent shrine.

The sheik's mansion is a treasure-house of rare furnishings.

Rudy Valentino

ITALIAN FASCIST UNITY UNBREAKABLE, SAYS DUCE

ROME, Oct. 28 (By U. P.)—No force in the world, and especially no external force, can break the unity of Fascist Italy, is the message Premier Mussolini sent the newspaper Tribuna as his comment on Thursday's fourth anniversary of the Fascist march on Rome.

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King Ferdinand is 61. For more than a month his majesty has been seriously ill, say reports, and he recently submitted to an operation. It was said soon after Queen Marie arrived in the United States that Ferdinand's physicians had told her the king probably would not live more than two years.

(A dispatch from Paris a week ago announced that Rumanian diplomats were arranging the king's "illness" as a plausible excuse for the hasty recall of Queen Marie from America.)

ABOARD QUEEN MARIE'S SPECIAL TRAIN NEAR OTTAWA, CANADA, Oct. 28 (By U. P.)—Canada will make its official bow to Queen Marie today, when she arrives in Ottawa as the guest of the Dominion government.

This is the last ceremonial which the royal party will attend before its swing into Western North America. Tomorrow the special train will be rolling over the Canadian national tracks en route to Winnipeg.

While apparently enjoying its official receptions in Canadian cities, the party is looking forward to forty-three hours of unbroken rest aboard the train, beginning with their departure from Ottawa tonight.

Death of a Girl Leads to Arrest Of Jersey Doctor

CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 28.—Dr. David F. Bentley, Sr., a well-known physician, was held in \$10,000 for the grand jury by Magistrate Wallace on the complaint of Walter Williams of Raven Run, Pa., father of Miss Elizabeth May Williams, 19, whose death occurred on Wednesday last following an illegal operation alleged to have been performed by the doctor.

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THE WEATHER

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FAIR

U. S. WEATHER FORECAST

LOCAL—Fair and warmer today; moderate westerly, shifting to southwest, winds.

EASTERN NEW YORK—Fair today in extreme south; increasing cloudiness, probably followed by showers, in central and north portions; moderate westerly, shifting to southwest, winds.